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| Independent Claims | | 3 | 0 | \$84.00/\$42.00 | \$ 0.00 |
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| Claims | (\$140.00 for sn | nall entity). | | | \$ 0.00 |
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^{*}Includes all independent and single dependent claims and all claims referred to in multiple dependent claims. See 37 C.F.R. §1.75(c).

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| | Respectfully submitted, MORGAN & FINNEGAN, L.L.P. | | |
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This correspondence is in response to the Office Action dated August 24, 2001 for the above-identified application. Prior to entry of this Amendment and Response, claims 1-12 were pending in this application.

Please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please withdraw Claims 6 and 9 without prejudice.

Please amend Claims 1 and 7 to read as follows:

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1. A stable granulocyte colony-stimulating factor-containing formulation comprising a granulocyte colony-stimulating factor having a sugar chain and at least one pharmaceutically acceptable non-ionic surfactant in and amount of 1 part by weight or less per part by weight of the granulocyte colony-stimulating factor and having a pH of 5-7, said formulation being substantially free from protein as a stabilizer.